GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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CBI REPORT ON KIDNAPPING
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) report 714 gangs were involved in kidnapping for ransom across the country, 87 groups specializing in abducting minor girls for prostitution and 47 operating for kidnapping children and converting them to beggars;

(b) if so, the details of all such gangs, State-wise and action taken against gangs identified by CBI; and

(c) the details of gangs active in Delhi and NCR region and the number of children kidnapped during each of the last three years and the number of children out of them rescued?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI MANIKRAO H. GAVIT)

(a) As per the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) report, 714 gangs comprising of 4289 members were involved in kidnapping for ransom; 87 gangs comprising of 359 members were involved in the kidnapping of girls & women for prostitution and 14 gangs comprising of 57 members were involved in kidnapping of minors for begging.

(b) The details of all such gangs state-wise identified by CBI is in the statement at annexure. `Police` and `Public Order` are State subjects under the seventh schedule to the Constitution of India, hence the primary responsibility of prevention, detection, registration, investigation and prosecution of crime lies with the State Governments. However, the Union Government has from time to time issued advisories to the State Governments to give more focused attention to improving administration of criminal justice system and take such measures as are necessary for the prevention of crimes against all vulnerable section of the society. The Union Government also supplements the efforts of the State Governments by providing financial assistance for modernization of the State Police

Forces in terms of weaponry, communication, equipment, mobility, training and other infrastructure under the scheme of Modernisation of the State Police Forces with a view to enhancing their capabilities to fight crime and maintain public order.

(c) As per the information complied, 92 gangs comprising of 337 members were involved in kidnapping for ransom in Delhi; 15 gangs comprising of 34 members were involved in kidnapping of girls/women for prostitution in Delhi and 1 gang comprising of 04 members was involved in kidnapping of minors for begging in Delhi. No separate data for the NCR region is maintained centrally.